

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michael Helmus Art Unit: 3773
Serial No.: 10/075,970 Examiner: Tyson, Melanie Ruano
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Title: BIODEGRADABLE IMPLANTABLE OR INSERTABLE MEDICAL
DEVICES WITH CONTROLLED CHANGE OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES
LEADING TO BIOMECHANICAL COMPATIBILITY

VIA EFS-WEB
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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING AN RCE

Sir:

This Amendment and associated comments accompanies the RCE that is being filed herewith.

Additionally, a Petition for a one (1) month extension of time is being submitted to extend the time for response from December 23, 2009 to January 23, 2010.

Please charge the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) (\$130.00) to Deposit Account Number 50-1047. Any other fees deemed to be due or credit for any overpayment for this application should be directed to Deposit Account Number 50-1047 and authorization is hereby given to charge such account.

Kindly consider the following Amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.